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1. [] Met with Mr. Clark MacGregor, Counsel to the President for Congressional Relations, and explained to him our problem with Senator Case, who was insisting that two members of his staff be included in a briefing he had requested on Agency involvement with certain contract airlines and with a Russian emigre group. Mr. MacGregor fully supported our position that the staff personnel would have to be excluded from any such briefing. He said he had some personal rapport with Senator Case but found him increasingly difficult to deal with and while he would be happy to intervene on our behalf, he didn't think it would do any good. I thanked him but said I didn't think this was necessary.

I told Mr. MacGregor of the line we were taking in responding to congressional queries regarding the significance of the White House announcement concerning the intelligence community. Mr. MacGregor said this was entirely consistent with the line the White House was taking.

I called Mr. MacGregor's attention to certain provisions of the Foreign Aid bills as passed by the Senate, and gave him a paper setting forth details. I said we felt the Agency should keep a low profile in this matter and hoped the White House and State Department would use their influence with the Foreign Affairs Committee to get these provisions amended in the conference. Mr. MacGregor agreed, and said he personally would take the matter up with the Foreign Affairs Committee on the basis of the paper I left with him.

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2. [] and I met with Representative Alvin O'Konski (R., Wis.) whom I briefed on latest information regarding the internal situation in China (in which he had expressed an interest) and on the significance of the White House announcement regarding the intelligence community.

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3. [] Discussed with Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, some points regarding the White House announcement regarding the intelligence community, emphasizing that changes from the past were largely procedural and of no major significance. I assured Slatinshek that there was no reason to suppose that the Director's direction of CIA or his access to the President, was being undermined.

Mr. Slatinshek said that Chairman Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee, had indicated he wanted to become more active in regard to his responsibilities over the intelligence community in the near future and would want a briefing from the Director. I suggested such a briefing would be timely, should consist largely of the Director's own interpretation of his new responsibilities in the community, and should include Representatives Hebert and Arends in addition to the members of the Nedzi Subcommittee. Slatinshek thought this a good idea and will suggest it to Nedzi.

I explained to Slatinshek that I thought much of the confusion resulted from the fact that most people on the Hill really didn't understand how the intelligence community had functioned in the past, or how it related to the National Security Council.

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4. [] Met with Senator Clifford P. Case and told him I would be glad to brief him on matters raised in his recent letters to the Director and Secretary of State Rogers, which had been referred to us, but could not include members of his staff. The Senator said that he would have to insist on including members of his staff who handled these matters for him. I said unfortunately this was not possible. Case asked that I convey his request to the Director. I said that I had explained this to the Director and I was giving him the Director's answer, which was that the Director felt that in view of his statutory responsibilities for protecting intelligence sources and methods he would have to limit his discussion of highly sensitive intelligence matters to the Senator himself. The Senator said he would like the Director to write him a letter to this effect. I said I would convey his request to the Director.

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5. [] Discussed with William Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, certain aspects of the White House announcement regarding the intelligence community. See Memo for Record for details.

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6. [] Provided John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee Staff, with press material he had requested dealing with the White House announcement on the intelligence community.

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7. [] Discussed with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, the significance of the White House announcement on the intelligence community. Braswell reviewed the paper on the legal aspects of the matter provided by Mr. Houston and said he might have further questions in view of Senator Stennis' continuing concern over the effect of the new procedures called for in the White House announcement.

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9. [] Picked up from the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee galley proofs on the publication "Soviet Intelligence and Security Services, 1964-70." These have been forwarded to [] for review. J. Sourwine, Chief Counsel of the Subcommittee, said we could ride the jacket with GPO for additional copies of this publication if we wished.

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10. [] Judy Spahr, Senate Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations staff, called and requested a subscription to the FBIS Daily Report on Communist China. (They now receive the Soviet Union and the Eastern Europe books.) I told Miss Spahr it would take about two weeks before they would start receiving this publication. [] FBIS, has been advised.

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12. [] Met with Dr. Roy Bullock, Staff Administrator, House Foreign Affairs Committee, who told me the Radios bill, S. 18, is scheduled to come up on the floor of the House on Monday. The Committee does not anticipate any real problems in the House, but they are unable to make any forecasts with regard to the Senate.

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13. [] Met with Mrs. Lois G. Myers, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee staff, who told me Chairman Dulski will probably cancel the full Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, 18 November. This could result in no further meetings of the full Committee until next year and, in consequence, no further consideration of H.R. 11150, the bill for the protection of the constitutional rights of Federal employees.

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14. [] Talked to Mr. John Lally, Assistant Counsel, Investigations Subcommittee, House Armed Services Committee, and reviewed with him the ground rules for Agency assistance []
[] In a word, I told Mr. Lally that though the Director is pleased to assist the chairman in special checks (as was done last week), we are unable to provide this service on a routine basis. Our manpower situation will not allow it.

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